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**The Dying Saint.**

What's this that steals, that steals upon my  
frame?  
Is it death, is it death,  
That soon shall quench, shall quench this vital  
flame?  
Is it death, is it death,  
If this be death, I soon shall be  
From every pain and sorrow free;  
I shall the King of glory see;  
All is well, all is well.

Weep not, my friends, weep not for me,  
All is well, all is well;  
My sins are pardon'd, I am free,  
All is well, all is well;  
There's not a cloud that doth arise  
To hide my Jesus from my eyes,  
I soon shall mount the upper skies,  
All is well, all is well.

Time, tune your harps, ye saints in glory,  
All is well, all is well;  
I will rehearse the pleasing story,  
All is well, all is well;  
Bright angels from glory come,  
Around my bed, they are in my room;  
They wait to bear my spirit home,  
All is well, all is well.

Hark! Hark! my Lord and Master calls me,  
All is well, all is well;  
I soon shall see his face in glory,  
All is well, all is well;  
Farwell, my friends, adieu, adieu,  
I can no longer stay with you,  
My glittering crown appears in view,  
All is well, all is well.

All hail! ye blood-washed throngs,  
Saved by grace, saved by grace;  
I have come to join the heavenly throng,  
Saved by grace, saved by grace;  
All hail, ye saints, and joy to find,  
And heaven and glory now are mine,  
Hallelujah to the Lamb!  
All is well, all is well!

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**CHAPTER VI.**

AN EVENING WITH THE RAPLES.

True to her promise, Fanny came again  
before the week was gone, and brought  
not only Jerry, but also her friend Nellie  
Webster, an agreeable young lady, resid-  
ing in town. Jerry pleased me better  
than I had anticipated, even better than  
Fanny. Her beauty, if indeed she had  
beauty, was of that indefinite type which  
makes no strong affirmations of charac-  
ter. It was not a doll face, or a doll  
face, or a weak face, or a face to distrust;  
it was pleasant and perfectly well-bred;  
soft in outline, with no decided tints of  
eye, or cheek, or lip; and one that gained  
or lost greatly by its surroundings. Happily  
for her she had so, studied it as to  
know well its requirements, and to wear  
nothing which did not do something in mak-  
ing her seem beautiful. Jerry, on the con-  
trary, was decidedly handsome. He was  
like his father, with eyes not quite as  
penetrating, but darker; with the same  
broad forehead and black hair. He had  
peachy cheeks, lips red and delicate,  
beard and moustache well cared for,  
but not yet grown patriarchal. His  
dress was faultless. He could not be  
much a student; one would not expect  
him to choose a profession; but there  
was kindness in his face, and he had a  
merry, off-hand manner, while something  
about him made you feel that whenever  
he chose to join issue with the world, he  
would put in a strong plea for himself.

He was younger than Fanny by little  
more than a year, and she was very proud  
of him.

I blushed as I took them into the lit-  
tle parlor, for the ingrain carpet had sud-  
denly grown faded and poor, the sofa  
rusty. But they were no sooner seated  
than this was forgotten. Though they  
had come only for a call, they spent the  
evening because, as they said, I kept  
them so.

In the midst of our conversation I was  
summoned to the door to see Nathan  
Doolittle, whose sister had sent him to  
invite and escort to their house, where  
some of her friends were spending the  
evening. My acquaintance with Nathan  
consisted of an introduction over the  
fence one morning when I chanced to be  
in the garden and he came out of the  
house with Eliza. He did his errand  
bunglingly, with a sort of apologetic  
scurry, and I was glad to have an ex-  
cuse, meaning, sorry for him, and  
sent my (not very sincere) regards to  
Eliza. He saw at once the impossibility  
of my accepting the invitation, and look-  
ing both relieved and disappointed, he  
ceased to writh. Poor fellow! his at-  
tempt at politeness had cost him a great  
effort.

My friends in the parlor playfully  
agreed to make me their united charge  
until I should become acquainted. They  
would call me cousin, and hoped I  
would not be unwilling to claim the rela-  
tionship. Jerry said Miss Webster had  
promised to accompany him to the farm  
the next evening to meet one or two  
friends. With a long look upon him a like  
honor? The idea was delightful, and  
the invitation most eagerly accepted.

I went to my room that night too  
much excited to sleep, and so, wrapping  
myself in a shawl, wrote a long letter to  
Alick, dear Alick! whose face and  
brotherly kindness I had missed so sorely  
every day. My pen had already pho-  
graphed Fanny to him, and now it por-  
trayed Jerry and Nellie, in no pale gray  
tints, but in warm colors. He had to  
know the chief victims of the evening,  
about Nathan's coming, and what would  
satisfy him more, that a neat fence had  
been built in front of the house, and that  
our landlord had decided to put in the

missing window and paint the exterior.  
And many other things he had to know.  
I wrote rapidly, working the excitement  
of my fingers, but the letter did not  
serve to exhaust it.

While trying to go to sleep the  
thought came with the force of an af-  
fliction, that my stay in Rocky Bend  
was to be eventful; that I was, as father  
had said, about to begin life anew. Was  
the old, then, to serve me nothing, or be  
only a preparation for the real life now  
to commence? I began to wonder, to be  
eager yet almost afraid to meet my fu-  
ture. When I tried to think more so-  
berly and to come back to the real, re-  
flection assured me that life could not  
always go on with me as now; that I  
was at an age when the most important  
events in my history could not be far  
distant. Then, while he into whose keep-  
ing my interests were to be given re-  
mained unseen, I saw myself a bride  
without a trouble. The denials of  
penury had ceased; I was mistress of a  
manor with open, hospitable doors,  
and gathering around me a circle of  
gifted, noble, loving friends.

I accepted it as a half-waking dream, yet  
I trembled earnestly sent up my peti-  
tion to Him who owns the world.

"O Father, let this come to pass!"

I do not now regret making that  
prayer, for it was spoken sincerely, and  
I think God is better pleased when we  
make an unwise request honestly, than  
when with studied words we ask what  
we should be unwilling to accept should  
he give it. If what I sought was only  
glory, he knew it better than I, and he  
gave me gold.

I awoke next morning with a head-  
ache, and despite the brilliant future  
which had been revealed, was irritable  
all day, so that Tommy wondered what  
ailed Chat. He didn't believe he'd like  
to go to school to her, "anyway."

Jerry was somewhat behind the ap-  
pointed time in coming for me. His man,  
Robert, did not bring him the horse in  
time, he said. The evening was fine, and  
we had a delightful ride, though it is to  
be feared that, in spite of mother's warn-  
ing, I talked too much.

Late at night, when all the family ex-  
cept mother and me were in bed, she came  
over to know if our house-cleaning was  
done. That it was seemed to disappoint  
her, and I do not doubt that she had hur-  
ried home in anticipation of the job. Not  
that she expected to gain pecuniarily by  
it, but she had thought there would be a  
chance to lay herself out and show her  
skill. It would have been a labor of  
love. We were in the sitting-room.

"What made you put this room white?"

Mother said she liked white, and it  
was easily prepared, requiring no mixing  
of pigments.

"Of what?"

Mother explained.

"I don't like white for a room that's  
got to be a kitchen. I told John's folks  
to paint that peach-color-blow and they  
did it. I mixed it and put it on myself  
for folks, an idea that he was wise and  
learned because he read them, and con-  
sequently, one of the most disagreeable  
characters one can meet with. Poor wo-  
man! to make such an idol of such a  
worthless body. I hope she could not  
read my thought in my face."

I turned and found something to ad-  
mire in the thrifty plants in her window.  
Then, showing her my work, I begged  
her to keep on with her own, and seat  
myself beside her at the other window,  
arranging the flowers she had given me.  
They were quickly grouped and I held  
the little bouquet for her judgment.

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come was hardly adequate to meet the  
wants of us all. With a less capable wo-  
man at the head of the household it would  
have proved miserably insufficient, but  
by her wise economy she was able to  
keep the family comfortably provided for  
and save a little every year. But with  
new demands, such as I was likely to  
make, this could not continue.

I was anxious to go on with music.  
Previous to our going to Tomkinsville  
we had managed in one way or another  
to have a piano in the house most of the  
time—now there was no prospect of get-  
ting one. Nor did it yet appear that  
there was a teacher in the village—al-  
though the teachers were many—of whom  
I could profitably take lessons. Had they  
been fewer I might have tried for a class,  
hoping thereby to obtain the means of  
procuring instruction for myself, but there  
seemed little room for this without crowd-  
ing some one else away.

One afternoon, tired with revolving  
this problem and finding no solution, I  
took my work and went into Mrs. Sum-  
merland's.

I went there because, although a plain  
woman, I felt she might help me, and I  
took my work because she was a plain  
woman who would like to have me do so  
and my being at work would allow her  
to go on with her sewing.

Seeing me coming she opened the door,  
and finding I had stopped to look at her  
flowers, came out to meet me, and gave  
me some of the most beautiful, and she  
did it so sweetly as quite to win my  
heart again. I found the interior of the  
house as neat as the exterior. A good  
carpet covered the floor; the furni-  
ture, not costly at the first, was worn  
but well kept. A small bookcase was  
filled with histories, biographies, scientific  
works, one or two cyclopedias, British  
Essays, some Latin books and a few  
volumes of poetry. On the writing-table  
before it lay one or two numbers of a  
leading magazine and some daily papers.  
She saw my surprise and watched me  
with a smile while I looked them over.

"Do you read all these, Mrs. Sum-  
merland?"

"Oh no, not many of them; but I  
hear a good deal of their contents. Robert  
spends most of his evenings read-  
ing to me."

"Robert?"

"Yes, my son, who works for Mr. Rap-  
lee. He is always at home at night and  
generally manages to get in early in  
the evening."

"His library speaks well for him, and I  
conclude he is a good son to his mother."

"Indeed he is—his face lighting up  
with joy and pride. I wish you could  
know how good."

But this wish found no response in  
me. Why should I be interested in some-  
body's "third man." No other picture  
was presented to my mind than that of  
dull, plodding, clumsy fellow, content to  
be a common laborer, but with a fancy  
for books, an idea that he was wise and  
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nough to do to attend to my studies and  
help mother. Perhaps I shall go to  
school more yet."

"Mebby thats all you ought to do—you  
look like a stout, healthy girl—mebby  
you ought to go to school—I don't know  
nothing about it, but I think its well  
enough for everybody to have a trade."

"We can't all do the same things," said  
Mrs. Summerland.

"Who said anything about that?  
There's a good many kind o' trades, ain't  
there? I don't know but yer rich—yer  
clothes looks like it, and yer rings and  
things on yer wrists—but I wouldn't  
make any difference—if you had amillion  
you might not allus hev it, and I think  
its well enough to have a trade."

"I have been working foran education  
thus far," I said, feeling almost overpow-  
ered.

It is a marvel to me now that that wo-  
man could so command one of my spirit.  
While she spoke I had, no alternative  
but to sit mute and meek.

"There's various kinds of educations,"  
she continued, "and trades is one kind.  
I think its well enough for everybody to  
have a trade."

"I don't think, Ann," said Mrs. Sum-  
merland mildly, "that Miss Charity needs  
any more to do than she has. She  
understands how to do house-work pret-  
ty thoroughly, and that's the very best  
trade in the world for a girl."

"And they say," responded Ann—the  
line of her conversation making an acute  
angle—"that she can play the pianer. I  
s'pose some folks make a wonderful sight  
teachin' that, but I never thought it very  
profitable learnin'."

Another angle, and addressing me.

"You went up to Raplee's with Jerry  
one night last week?"

"Yes, I have; and I know who else  
was there—Henry and Grace Kingsley  
and Ellen Webster. Jerry, you know,  
goes with Ellen. A funny. Did Fanny  
tell you that she was engaged to King-  
sley?"

"She did not."

"Well she is. D'ye see that ring she  
wears?"

"I think she wears two or three?"

"Well that one—well now come to  
think, I can't tell which finger 'tis on but  
its on one of her fingers anyhow—she's  
showed it to me and Kingsley give it to  
her. There's writin' inside, a verse from  
the Bible—Ruth believe—where it says,  
You be my God and I'll be your God. I  
know the verse engaged."

Mrs. Beach did not mean to be irre-  
verent. She was a devout church mem-  
ber.

I did not wait to hear much more but  
took my leave as soon as possible and  
went home feeling both vexed and amu-  
sed. Who was it knew and reported my  
movements? Having once come Mrs.  
Beach's ears how far would they be pub-  
lished? Was there any way to escape her?  
Then that ridiculous idea of a trade—  
what made her bring it up that day I did  
how absurd for me, Charity Boston, who  
had been so carefully educated, who pos-  
sessed such talent and had enjoyed such  
advantages—who aspired to a brilliant  
social career, who in spite of poverty  
could claim a good position in the best  
society, who hoped some-day to be mis-  
tress of mansion, to become a tailoress,  
for instance. To be sure the avails would  
be convenient—I needed money badly  
enough—but if it was to come at all it  
must be in some other way. It was well  
for girls of no cultivation to learn trades  
—it was my place to adorn my mind and  
person, to improve my manners and make  
myself attractive. Yet the thought  
would not leave me, and gradually I be-  
gan to feel less sure that it was not my  
duty and less sure of my superiority.  
Perhaps this was my cross, since all have  
one to bear—heavy indeed, but whose  
cross is light? I could see that it might  
be an advantage to know how to do such  
work—I could make father's and the  
children's clothing—could I not go pri-  
vately to Mrs. Summerland and learn!

Privately to Mrs. Summerland! With  
Mrs. Beach there the secret would be as  
safe proclaimed as the house top!

I did not dare to mention the fact to  
my democratic mother lest she should  
immediately become a convert to the the-  
ory that "it is well enough for everybody  
to have a trade." I wondered she had  
never spoken of it of her own accord.

In the evening Henry brought in a  
note from Fanny. She was feeling lone-  
ly and not quite well—would I spend to-  
morrow with her at the farm? I  
would drive down for me in the morning.  
The invitation I decided to accept, and it  
diverted me for a time; but the topic  
came up again and far into the night I  
was arguing the question of learning a  
"trade."

Not one whit more inviting did the  
proposition grow, but the conclusion was  
pretty nearly reached that it was a duty,  
and I thought I understood something of  
the martyrs had to suffer, only my tri-  
al was worse than theirs, there being  
no glory about it.

(To be continued.)

The late Charles XV., King of  
Sweden and Norway, was sovereign of  
quite remarkable versatility of mind.  
A correspondent of the London Times  
notes the following facts concerning him:  
He was a poet of no ordinary power,  
and has left some poems that will, even  
apart from their royal origin, always keep  
a place in Swedish literature. He was an  
enthusiastic landscape painter, loving  
the grand scenery and the strong effects  
but not assiduous enough to work out in  
detail what he threw so easily in general  
outline on the canvas. He was a care-  
ful and not undiscerning collector of an-  
tiquities, two of his specialties being  
drinking cups and armor, of which he  
had brought together, at his summer-  
place, Ulrikstad, near Stockholm, a most  
interesting collection.

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above, or to E. L. SHILLEY, Associate Editor,  
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New York City.

The *Mute's Chronicle*, in its issue of  
Dec. 7th, has an excellent article on  
"The Home Education of Deaf Mutes."  
We borrow a few extracts.

"As a rule the parents and friends of  
mute children seem quite unwary of the  
fact that it is within their power to me-  
diate, in a very great degree, the mis-  
fortune entailed upon these children, by  
the want of the sense of hearing. The  
number of parents is certainly not small  
who can begin the education of their  
children long before they are of a proper  
age to be sent to the public Institutions,  
and the earlier instruction is begun, the  
better prospect there is that the child  
will eventually acquire a good education."

"Were the friends of mutes to teach  
them the nominal alphabet as soon as  
possible, and encourage them to use it constantly  
in their daily intercourse, the result  
would be that by the time the children  
had passed through the usual course of  
study at the Institution they would be  
able, if not quite, on an equality, in-  
tellectually, with hearing children of the  
same age, and we should no longer see,  
as is now the case, a majority of the deaf-  
mutes falling in that great object of life,  
the acquisition of a good education."

"Too many mute children are permit-  
ted to pass their earlier years in utter  
ignorance, and this greatly increases the  
difficulty of instructing them when they  
are sent to school. Their affliction is  
looked upon as an insuperable obstacle to  
their mental improvement while at home.  
Not only so, but pity for their misfortune  
leads often to their injury through in-  
dulgence and partiality. Their friends  
fondle and pet them, and promptly  
and lavishly provide for all their physical  
wants, while they do nothing for their  
mental improvement. They allow the  
children to remain inactive, and their  
stupidity is increased by their part-  
nial night upon action to delight them-  
selves with daily evidence of expansion of mind  
and increase of the power of intelligent  
intercourse."

"Our own experience hardly sustains  
the assertions in the last paragraph. We  
have met parents of young mute children  
whose conduct, in every particular, is  
exactly the reverse. However, it is  
correct in the majority of cases. The  
position of the parent of a deaf mute is  
one that cannot readily be imagined.  
Literally he does not know what to do  
with his child, and if some kind friend or  
interested party does not inform him of  
a place for the education of deaf mutes  
exists, the child is very likely to grow up  
in ignorance. Legislatures should enact  
a law and appoint persons to see it en-  
forced, that as soon as the existence of an  
uneducated mute is known, the fact  
should be reported to the proper authori-  
ties, and the mute immediately furnished  
with facilities for a home or for an  
institutional education."

RESIGNED—Franklin A. Rising, A. M.,  
Principal of the New York Institution  
for the Improved Instruction of Deaf  
Mutes, has tendered his resignation to  
the Board of Directors, the same to take  
effect within a few months. We learn  
upon unquestionable authority that, with  
this resignation, Mr. Rising severs his  
connection as a teacher of the deaf and  
dumb, and abandons the profession in  
which he has won a fair measure of suc-  
cess.

TURNED OVER A NEW LEAF AND EN-  
LARGED—The *Deaf-Mute Advance*, the  
pride of the Illinois deaf-mute community,  
is out in a new dress, heading and all,  
and enlarged to a 24 column sheet. The  
*Advance* is now issued as a weekly, and  
looks as bright and smiling as a bride.  
It merits new clothes, enlargement and  
patronage, as it is a well-conducted paper.

What John Carlin, A. M., of New York,  
An Eminent Deaf-Mute, says of  
this Paper.

"I must say that such a Journal as  
yours is just what all mutes, residing in  
rural districts as well as in the cities,  
towns, and villages, should take. A news-  
paper of all whose columns are devoted  
to matters relative to deaf mutes, their  
schools, homes, and others is generally  
interesting and interesting in its composi-  
tion. All deaf mutes ought to be in-  
formed by all means, read good articles writ-  
ten by hearing and speaking persons of  
education on subjects not connected with  
deaf mutes, and study the language em-  
ployed in them that they may be able to  
avoid 'deaf-muteisms' in their composi-  
tion. Nevertheless, more than two col-  
umns is still needed by your excellent  
Journal to enlarge your field of usefulness  
to our class of citizens."

CLERICAL MEMORIAL FUND—The follow-  
ing is a synopsis of the funds raised by  
the various Associations, as given in the  
*Advance* by Mr. H. W. Style, Secretary  
of the Organizing Committee.

Fanwood Association,	\$500
New York,	500
Pennsylvania,	364
Michigan,	100
Illinois,	100
Ohio,	30
North Carolina,	28

\$1,712.

**Grace Church Mission to Deaf-Mutes.**

A religious service took place last  
evening at Grace (Episcopal) Church,  
corner of Park and Monument streets,  
on the occasion of an Episcopal visitation  
to a mission which, now for several years  
past, has been in quiet operation under  
the support of the congregation of this  
church, among the deaf-mutes of Balti-  
more, a class of afflicted people whose  
religious wants are generally too little  
considered. For the information of those  
who may not be familiar with the efforts  
that have been made by the Episcopal  
Church to provide for the religious train-  
ing of those from whom the gift of lan-  
guage has been withheld, we may state  
the following facts: The Rev. Thomas  
Gallaudet, D. D., rector of St. Ann's  
Episcopal Church, New York, who is a  
son of the late Dr. Gallaudet, the well-  
known and widely-esteemed founder of  
the Hartford Deaf and Dumb Asylum,  
has for many years been actively devoted  
to the same good work of ministering to  
deaf-mutes, and the congregation of  
which he is rector have generously con-  
tributed to the support of his labors.  
For a number of years past Divine wor-  
ship and religious instruction in the  
sign language has been regularly con-  
ducted under the pastoral supervision of  
Dr. Gallaudet in his church, and this  
work has attracted so much attention in  
New York as to lead to the formation  
there of a society to extend the work to  
other sections of the country. The so-  
ciety thus alluded to is known as the  
"Church Mission to Deaf-Mutes," and  
the Rev. Dr. Gallaudet, as the agent and  
representative of the society, has visited  
many of our larger cities from time to  
time to promote and organize just such  
missionary efforts as the one alluded to  
above at Grace Church. This mission  
at Grace Church has now been in suc-  
cessful operation for several years. A  
devoted layman of Grace Church congre-  
gation, Mr. Samuel A. Adams, who is  
also a deaf-mute, and who holds a com-  
mission from the Bishop of the diocese  
as "Lay Reader," has labored most pa-  
tiently and lovingly among these people,  
gathering each Sunday afternoon in the  
chapel of Grace Church quite a little  
congregation of such persons whose ears  
are deaf and whose lips are dumb. This  
congregation is frequently visited by the  
Rector of the Church, Rev. Dr. Leach,  
and by others of the clergy, whose minis-  
trations are interpreted by Mr. Adams  
in the sign language. The service last  
evening in the church was, as above  
stated, on the occasion of a visitation  
from Bishop Pinkney, Assistant Bishop  
of the Diocese of Maryland, who came  
to administer "confirmation or the laying  
on of hands" to an interesting class of  
deaf-mutes, who in this solemn rite openly  
assumed and ratified the obligations and  
vows that they had taken upon them-  
selves in their baptism. It was a most  
interesting service, and the earnest at-  
tention paid by the minister and ser-  
vice was interpreted or translated to those  
by the Rev. Dr. Gallaudet, who had  
come on from New York for the purpose  
of participating in the same. The Rector  
of Grace Church, aided by the assistant  
minister of the parish, read the evening  
service, which was interpreted through  
by the Rev. Dr. Gallaudet, who took  
a position in front of the altar, facing the  
congregation, and interpreted the entire  
service as it proceeded, with wonderful  
ease and rapidity to his eager and most  
attentive audience. The service was  
conducted in the sign language, and  
for although their outer ears were deaf  
and dull of hearing, they seemed really  
to hear with their souls, looking out in-  
tently through their eyes. As the Bishop  
called upon the candidates for confirma-  
tion to approach the chancel, they quickly  
responded, the bidding being quickly  
made known to them by their Reverend  
interpreter, and then the terms of the  
solemn vow were made known to them,  
and in the same quiet language they re-  
newed the solemn promise and vow that  
they had taken for themselves in their  
baptism. The Apostolic Blessing was  
also repeated to them in the sign lan-  
guage, as the Bishop severely laid his  
hands upon them, and gave to each this  
sign of God's favor and gracious good-  
ness toward them. There were thirteen  
persons confirmed, male and female, all  
of whom, except two or three, were deaf-  
mutes.

It may be mentioned in this connec-  
tion that the "Church Mission to the  
Deaf-Mutes," which has been established in New  
York a home for the deaf-mutes, a  
deaf-mute, a charity which must warmly  
commend itself to the sympathy and sup-  
port of every benevolent heart.—*Balti-  
more American*, Dec. 18.

**Accident to Mr. Hotchkiss, one of the  
Proprietors of the Silent World.**

On the afternoon of Saturday, Decem-  
ber 14, Messrs. Hotchkiss and Draper were  
riding in company with Mr. Denison.  
The horse of the former was a rather  
spirited animal, hired from a stable in the  
city. Mr. Hotchkiss also made arrange-  
ments to visit with them immediately after  
dinner started to the city to see some  
horses, intending to join them somewhere  
where, though no definite place of meet-  
ing was agreed upon. He visited several  
livery stables without being successful.  
Meanwhile the three others had started  
from the Institution and visited all the  
places where it seemed most probable he  
would fall in with them, and at length  
Mr. Hotchkiss rode off alone, saying he  
would find Ballard and then return. The  
others waited while, until finally neither  
Mr. Ballard nor Mr. Hotchkiss appear-  
ing, they went on their way. The Col-  
lege and visited the Soldiers' Home, at  
which they came back and arrived at the  
Institution about 5 o'clock.

After leaving his companions Mr.  
Hotchkiss was seen by several students,  
all of whom say his horse was expiring  
around in rather dangerous style. One  
of them in particular remembers seeing  
him on the very street on which the ac-  
cident happened, flying along the con-  
crete pavement, a la John Gilpin. It  
was but a few minutes afterwards that  
his horse stopped or stumbled, and he was  
thrown forward, falling face and striking his  
head heavily against the hard pavement.  
He remembers being aware that the horse  
was falling, and that he had no time to  
recover himself, but that is all.

He was carried unconscious into the office of a  
wood-yard near by, the blood flowing freely from  
his forehead and face, and as soon as he became able to  
state his residence an express wagon was obtained  
and he was brought out to the Institution. The  
physician was hastily summoned, and to every-  
body's great relief he found no fracture of the  
skull, but a few weeks afterwards Mr. H. was in a  
very critical condition, and great fears were entertained  
of congestion of the brain. A strong constriction  
of good nursing, however, averted this danger,  
and at the present writing he is slowly recover-  
ing, and will probably be able to take charge of  
his classes at the opening of next term.—*Silent  
World*, Jan. 10.

[We tender our sympathies in the  
suffering, and heartily wish him a speedy  
recovery.]



MEXICO INDEPENDENT.

MEXICO, THURSDAY, JAN. 23, 1873.

News of the Week.

MISCELLANEOUS.

A freshet is prevailing in the Connecticut and Yantic rivers, Connecticut. A part of the New London and Northern railroad has been washed away near Norwich and much other damage done.

Considerable damage has been done by a rise of the Allegheny river. A number of railroad bridges have been swept away and travel is suspended on the railroads in the Allegheny Valley.

The police of Washington city have made a complaint against Susan B. Anthony for giving an entertainment, at which an admission fee was charged, without having first obtained a license.

During the fall term of the Cornell University, recently closed, gifts were received by that institution to the value of \$600,000, of which amount Mr. Cornell has given \$500,000 Mr. Sage, of Brooklyn, \$30,000; a gentleman whose name is not given, another \$30,000, and President White \$20,000.

The cold in the West continues intense Saturday the mercury showed 8 degrees below zero at Memphis, Tenn.; at La Crosse, Wis. 31 degrees; at St. Paul, Minn., 31 degrees; and at Minneapolis 34 degrees below zero. At Sparta, Wis. the mercury froze, and the spirit thermometer marked 45 degrees below zero.

The dead frost over Minnesota and other portions of the West is something quite unparalleled in those regions. How many people perished is not positively known, but the estimates range from 250 to 638, and hundreds of cattle have also been frozen to death or buried alive in the snow.

Louis Napoleon had nearly a million dollars worth of property in New York city, and made several large investments there during the last year of his life.

Several of the conductors on the Hudson River railroad, refuse to use the new detective tickets and have resigned.

Mr. Robert T. Lincoln denies that he presented to the late President by the colored people of the South. He says that she has no intention of parting with it.

The sudden breaking up of the ice has caused much destruction of property in various parts of the country. Railroad bridges have been carried away by the floods, telegraph communications broken and travel greatly interrupted.

Rev. Joshua Leavitt, D. D., associate editor of the Independent, died in Brooklyn Thursday evening from apoplexy, while at the residence at his son.

The composers throughout the country are organizing a movement to erect a monument to the memory of Horace Greeley. Printing-offices are asked to give a pound or more of old type, and compositors the proceeds of one thousand "ems," set up February 3, next, the sixty-second anniversary of Mr. Greeley's birth. The money is to be sent to the New York Typographical Union, No. 6, at No. 22 Duane Street, New York, of which Union Mr. Greeley was the first President.

Samana Bay, in the Island of Santo Domingo, is now owned by Americans, with its resident Governor and resident Director already in full possession.

During the last year, at the Oronoque salines, there was inspected 7,999,799 bushels of salt, against 8,579,173 the preceding year. The estimate of expenses for the ensuing year is \$52,000, against \$56,000 for the past year.

The excess of expenditures over earnings in Auburn prison, last year, was \$87,034.62; in Sing Sing, \$260,753.51; in Clinton, \$88,987.02.

The secretary of the Children's Aid Society denies that that society is assisting Mr. Greeley's will.

Despatches from San Francisco state that the United States forces, under General Frank Wheaton, sustained a disastrous defeat at the hands of Captain Jack and his Modoc warriors, on Friday last. Loss 48 killed and wounded by the United States. Indian loss not known.

The investigation by the Legislature of Missouri into alleged bribery practiced at the late senatorial election discovers the fact that money was used, but not by whom.

Hon. Roscoe Conkling was on Tuesday re-elected United States Senator for the State of New York, for six years, from the fourth day of March next.

The most important feature in the Senate on Thursday was Senator Sherman's speech on the return of the United States to specie payments.

In the House on Thursday but little more was done than to debate the admission of Colorado as a State.

In the Senate on Friday Mr. Morton called up the resolution instructing the Committee on Privileges and Elections to inquire into the defects of the present electoral system, and in a long speech pointed out its defects and suggested remedies for the same.

On Friday the House post-office committee unanimously authorized General Farnsworth, chairman of the committee to prepare a bill to reduce letter postage to two cents and require payment on all printed matter, except on weekly papers circulating in the country where they are printed. An estimate from the Post office Department shows that \$1,300,000 are annually lost on account of postage on printed matter being uncollected or confiscated by the postmaster.

Senate met in session Saturday. In the House, a bill revising the pension laws was passed. The bill granting the title to certain railroad lands in Iowa was passed by a vote of ayes 74, noes 74. A large number of private bills were reported and disposed of.

In the Senate on Monday, a petition in favor of a prohibitory liquor law, signed by Wendell Phillips and others, was presented.

In the House a bill was passed repealing the bankrupt law.

Utica Herald dispatch: The passage by the House of a bill for the payment for the salt works at Manchester, Kentucky, destroyed during the war by the order of General Buell, to prevent their falling into the hands of the rebels, should alarm the whole country and arouse it to action. It is time that constituents should cry halt to their Representatives. The destruction of these works was as much a necessity of war as destroying arms, ammunition, quartermaster and commissary stores. If claims like this are to be paid, the Treasury will be mulcted of hundreds of millions of dollars. The people must testir them.

THE KANSAS RIBBRY.

WASHINGTON, January 20.—The Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections Saturday resumed investigation into circumstances attending the election of Senator Caldwell of Kansas. Ex-Governor Carney was examined at great length. He corroborated the testimony of L. C. Smith, Caldwell's partner, to the effect that a private interview between Caldwell, Smith, and himself, Caldwell offered him, Carney, \$15,000 if he would withdraw from the contest for Senator. This offer he soon afterwards accepted.

Smith's note for \$10,000 was paid to Carney at maturity; the due bill for \$5,000 was paid last spring. During the senatorial canvass, one day P. J. Anderson, an employee of the railroad company, came to Smith in his presence and asked for \$7,000 to be used in the contest, and witness indorsed Smith's check for that amount in order that Anderson might get it cashed. The witness believed Anderson used the money for political purposes in Caldwell's interest. Caldwell once stated to witness that he, Caldwell, would win the contest if it cost him \$250,000. Subsequently Caldwell told witness that his election had cost him over \$60,000. Caldwell having told witness that he felt very grateful to him and his friends and would do what he could for them, several members of the Legislature made written application to Caldwell through Carney for various offices. On one occasion when witness presented to Caldwell such a paper, Caldwell took a memorandum book, and after referring to it said, "I don't owe that man anything, I paid that man for his vote. No member of the Legislature had then received an office from Caldwell, and witness therefore, knew of no other way by which the person referred to by Caldwell could have been paid, except by money. Witness could not remember the name of this person. It seemed from Caldwell's manner on this occasion that he had in his book a list of all the names of the Legislature, with their prices. Mr. Caldwell at other times told witness that he had paid James F. Leggett \$1,000 for his vote, and Byers, another member of the Legislature, \$2,500 for his vote. Anderson was employed by Caldwell and Smith to see all the members of the Legislature and get all the votes he could. From day to day he would report that such and such members could be controlled for perhaps five hundred, one thousand or two thousand dollars each. J. L. McDowell was another member of this working committee and made similar reports, on the reception of which the committee would discuss what prices ought to be paid. Smith once told witness that the Kansas Pacific Railroad Company had given him \$10,000 to aid Caldwell in the contest.

Witness also testified that Hon. Thomas A. Osborn, who was on Friday inaugurated Governor of Kansas, was a member of the managing committee of Caldwell's friends which conducted his canvass and purchased votes of members of the Legislature.

Mr. Carney's cross-examination was postponed in consequence of Mr. Caldwell being ill.

W. S. Banks, editor of the Leavenworth Times, testified that Caldwell gave \$20,000 for the support of his paper during the campaign; also that Caldwell told him his election had cost him \$60,000.

John H. Sneed, a member of the Legislature, gave evidence that one Hammond proposed the sale of Sneed's vote to Caldwell for \$4,000, the amount to be divided. They went together to see Len Smith on the subject.

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MEXICO MARKETS.

CORRECTED WEEKLY.

The following are the prices paid for farmers produce, etc., in this market: Flour, (retail) Spr'g \$9.00, red \$10.00, white \$11.25 Meal, 1/2 cwt, (retail) 1.40 Corn, 60 Oats, 35 40 Butter, 15 30 Lard, 15 22 Cheese, 14 Eggs, 12 Beef, 1/2 cwt, 06 16 Mutton, 1/2 cwt, 08 10 Pork, 1/2 cwt, 08 10 Apples, (dried), 1/2 lb, 05 08 Ham, 1/2 lb, 10 11 Dressed Poultry, 1/2 lb, 08 12 Potatoes, 1/2 bush, 30 50

The undersigned, on account of ill health in his family, offers his farm for sale, situated about one mile from Pariah village south, and about 1/2 mile from the S. N. R. R. Depot. Said farm is good state of cultivation, well adapted to grain and grazing, well watered, has good buildings; has a number of fruit trees of different kinds; and contains 57 acres. Terms reasonable. Time will be given on one half of the purchase money. W. F. DAVEY. Pariah, Oct. 30, 1872. 434m

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FOR SALE—1 light 1-horse sleigh with two seats, trimmed; 1 single harness; 1 two-horse harness. F. WATGH. Mexico, Dec. 3, 1872.

Frames for sale for "Wide Awake & Fast Asleep," at Ballard's Furniture store COAL.

The following are the prices for coal: GRATE, 83.25 BGG, 8.50 STOVE, 8.75 CHESTNUT, 8.50 CHARCOAL, (per bushel), 20 All coal must be paid for when delivered. W. PENFIELD. 24

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MEXICO MARKETS.

CORRECTED WEEKLY.

The following are the prices paid for farmers produce, etc., in this market: Flour, (retail) Spr'g \$9.00, red \$10.00, white \$11.25 Meal, 1/2 cwt, (retail) 1.40 Corn, 60 Oats, 35 40 Butter, 15 30 Lard, 15 22 Cheese, 14 Eggs, 12 Beef, 1/2 cwt, 06 16 Mutton, 1/2 cwt, 08 10 Pork, 1/2 cwt, 08 10 Apples, (dried), 1/2 lb, 05 08 Ham, 1/2 lb, 10 11 Dressed Poultry, 1/2 lb, 08 12 Potatoes, 1/2 bush, 30 50

The undersigned, on account of ill health in his family, offers his farm for sale, situated about one mile from Pariah village south, and about 1/2 mile from the S. N. R. R. Depot. Said farm is good state of cultivation, well adapted to grain and grazing, well watered, has good buildings; has a number of fruit trees of different kinds; and contains 57 acres. Terms reasonable. Time will be given on one half of the purchase money. W. F. DAVEY. Pariah, Oct. 30, 1872. 434m

Best Six Shilling Syrup ever offered in this market at 5tf L. G. BALLARD'S.

Sweet Pickled Salmon Trout at n-11 WADSWORTH'S.

Ladies, Read This! We would call the attention of Ladies to our large stock of Cloakings, such as Beavers, Broad Cloths, Ladies' Cloths and Waterproofs, of different grades and kinds. We have the Newest Patterns and Trimmings for Cloaks, and will cut and make them to order in the most approved style and at short notice. Cloak Cloths bought of us will be cut free of charge. STONE, ROBINSON & Co. Mexico, Nov. 7, 1872.

Prices Reduced.

I will let horse and cutter to Pulaski, Jennings, Currier, Pariah and New Haven for \$1.50, and Colosse, Texas, Union Square and Holmesville, for \$1.25; to Oweego, Fulton, Sandy Creek and Phoenix, \$2.50. Call at the MEXICO HOUSE LIVERY BARN. B. DELINE. Mexico, Jan. 1, 1873. 9

FOR SALE—1 light 1-horse sleigh with two seats, trimmed; 1 single harness; 1 two-horse harness. F. WATGH. Mexico, Dec. 3, 1872.

Frames for sale for "Wide Awake & Fast Asleep," at Ballard's Furniture store COAL.

The following are the prices for coal: GRATE, 83.25 BGG, 8.50 STOVE, 8.75 CHESTNUT, 8.50 CHARCOAL, (per bushel), 20 All coal must be paid for when delivered. W. PENFIELD. 24

FOR SALE OR TO RENT.

The undersigned wishing to change their business offer their place for sale or to rent. It consists of 30 acres of land in the town of Pariah, 1 1/2 miles from the village, on the Rotterdam road, 1/2 mile fenced, and well watered. Good barns, and house in fair condition. Terms easy. C. F. BORT & CO. Pariah, Jan. 2, 1873.

OSWEGO CITY SAVINGS BANK, established in 1859. Office in Jefferson Block near the Post Office. Open daily from 10 a. m. to 3 p. m., and on Saturday evening from 6 to 8 o'clock. Interest six per cent from the first of each month. LUTHER WRIGHT, President. H. L. DAVIS, Treasurer. L. E. GOODING, Secretary. 34tf

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Notice is hereby given that the law partnership heretofore existing between Cyrus Whitney and John J. Lamoreux, was on the 31st day of December, 1872, dissolved by mutual consent. CYRUS WHITNEY. JOHN J. LAMOREUX. Oswego, Jan. 1, 1873.

DR. F. J. POMMIER, PHYSICIAN, SURGEON AND ACCOUCHEUR, FRENCH ST., COLOSSE, Oswego Co., N. Y.

Dr. Pommier is a skillful and experienced Surgeon, having been Surgeon in the Louisiana Army in Italy, and also in Syria. Prompt attention given to all calls. Colosse, Jan. 1, 1873.

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GENTS WANTED.—We guarantee employment for all, either sex, at \$5 a day, or \$2000 a year. New works by Mrs. M. B. Stone and others. Superb premiums given away. Money made rapidly and easily at work for us. Write and see. Particulars free. WORTHINGTON DUBIN & Co., Hartford, Ct.

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## HOME AND COUNTY.

### Meteorology.

The year 1872 has now taken its exit, and naturally we take a retrospective view of its time and seasons. The months of the passing year have been full of changes. True, with the sunshine clouds have cast shadows, yet the bow of promise spans our horizon, for it is written that as our day so shall our strength be. Cheerfully let us then, as the seasons come and go, strive so to honor Him whose servants we are.

The average temperature of the year, 1872, at 7 a. m. was 39.17°; at 2 p. m., 49.92°; and at 9 p. m., 40.77°.

July 3d, at 2 p. m., the thermometer indicated 94°, warmest day of the year. March 5th, at 7 a. m., 18° below zero, coldest day of the year. Greatest range 112°.

The mean temperature of the past 19 years was as follows.

Year.	Deg.	Year.	Deg.	Year.	Deg.
1854	46.30	1861	45.87	1868	43.48
1855	46.17	1862	46.21	1869	43.91
1856	43.76	1863	45.94	1870	47.23
1857	45.56	1864	46.80	1871	44.48
1858	46.40	1865	46.22	1872	43.27
1859	46.42	1866	45.83		
1860	46.48	1867	45.97		

By the above table it will be seen that this has been the coldest year during that time.

The mean temperature the seasons was: Spring 38.30°; Summer 59.68°; Autumn 46.34°; Winter 18.93°. The spring and winter was the coldest, with the exception of 1867, during the same number of years.

The last frost occurred on the 3d of June, and the first on the 4th of September. The first severe frost did not make its appearance until the 17th of October.

The last snow fell on the 23rd of April, and the first on the 19th of November. Last day of sleighing April 6, and the first November 29. Last snow seen on hillsides April 24.

The amount of snow that fell was six feet and ten inches. Greatest amount that fell during the past 12 years was in 1868, fourteen feet and one and a half inch.

We had during the year 46 rain storms, and 39 snow storms. Thunder occurred on 38 different days.

In regard to the important question "Has our climate changed?" It has not been generally supposed that the amount of rainfall throughout the state has diminished by the clearing away of our forests, but my records show conclusively that it has.

During 1870 the total rainfall was 30 inches; 1871, 28.9 inches, and 1872, 31.5 inches, so that it is evident that instead of an average amount, the last five years show a considerable decrease under the years preceding. To render the fact still more striking, the results of observations made during the past twenty years, are added from which it is proved that from 1852 to 1857, the rain fell was 48.2 inches, from 1857 to 1862, 47.1 inches, and from 1862 to 1867, 46.6 inches, and from 1867 to 1872 32.8 inches, showing a large decrease. During the above period great changes on the face of the country have been made.

E. B. BARTLETT.

PROF. DIEHL'S LECTURES.—It was our privilege to attend the lectures of Prof. H. M. Diehl, in the Methodist church, on Friday and Saturday evenings. The first was rather introductory, but spicy, and in many portions full of instruction. The second treated more especially of Bible lands, and was even more instructive, giving an idea of those regions far more vivid than can be gained from books, and making clear things which, to our minds, had been obscure before. Those who heard the lecture to the children on Friday afternoon speak of it in the highest terms. We regret that an opportunity so valuable has remained unimproved by so many of our citizens.

A MERITED COMPLIMENT.—At the Annual meeting of the M. E. Society of this place, held on the 14th inst., the following well-merited compliment was passed:

Resolved, That the hearty thanks of this Society be given to Mr. Lewis Miller and those who assisted him for the eminent ability and success with which his Concert and Cantata on New Year's Eve, and repeated Friday evening following, were arranged and executed, and for the very handsome proceeds (netting \$190) which accrued to the Church Bell Fund.

F. WASHBURN, Chairman.

J. A. RICKARD, Sec'y.

THE WILDER SISTERS.—Assisted by Mr. R. Orvis and Miss Hosmer, we gave a Concert in Empire Hall on Friday (to-morrow) evening. The musical entertainment given by them a short time ago was well received, and we bespeak for them again a good house. Let home talent be patronized. Whoever attends may expect to be well entertained, and will have the satisfaction of knowing that his money is expended for a good object. Tickets 25 cents. Children, 15 cents. Can be obtained at H. C. Peck's Store and E. Rulison's.

FIREMEN'S ATTENTION!—A meeting of the Fire Brigade will be held in Fireman's Hall, on Wednesday, Feb. 5, at 7 o'clock p. m. A full attendance is requested, as there will be important business before the meeting.

JOHN WING, Chief.

The following are the officers of the Debating Society recently organized at the Brick school-house in this village: J. B. Stone, President. H. C. Plumley, Vice-President. G. W. Severance, Secretary. L. C. Brown, Treasurer. J. H. Severance, Editor. Gerlie R. Stone, Editor. J. O. Ballard, Janitor.

The Society, although established but a short time, is quite prosperous. Its debates are spirited and full of interest, and its membership rapidly increasing.

Come and see our new Plant Brackets, just what every lady wants for her window plants. 5th L. G. BALLARD.

A system of condensed gardening for ladies—Make your bed in the morning—set buttons on your husband's shirt; do not rake up any grievances; protect the young and tender branches of your family; plant a smile of good temper on your face, and carefully root out all angries feelings, and expect a good crop of happiness.

## Literature Fund.

At a meeting of the Regents of the University, held on the 10th inst., the distribution of \$40,000 of the income of the Literature Fund, for the last year, was made among the several academies entitled to participate therein. The appropriations for institutions in this county are as follows:

Falley Seminary, \$76.02; Mexico Academy, \$262.62; Oswego High School, \$276.44; Pulaski Academy, \$497.60; Red Creek Union Academy, \$76.02; Sodus Academy, \$504.51.

The Regents have appropriated the following sums to the schools named for the support of departments for the instruction of teachers of common schools: Falley Seminary, \$70; Mexico Academy, \$166; Pulaski Academy, \$200; Red Creek Seminary, \$100; Sodus Academy, \$200.

## Real Estate Sales.

Frances A. Goodwin and Helen E. Goodwin, infants, by John C. Coit, special guardian, to John M. Wilsie, lot in Palermo, \$877.00. September, 1872.

Henry Goodwin, Louisa Goodwin and Martha Goodwin, to John M. Wilsie, land in Palermo, \$1,319.03. April, 1872.

Stephen B. Snell, special guardian, &c., to Sardus Dyke, 10 acres in Mexico, \$400. October, 1872.

Mitchell H. Farman to Austin Y. Odell, 45 acres in New Haven, \$4,500. January, 1873.

Helen F. Carrier to Ira Carrier, 1531 acres in Volney, \$3000. November, 1872.

Oliver French to Ira Carrier, 14 acres in Volney, \$3,500. November, 1870.

Sidney Wilder to Thomas J. Bumpus, lot in Port Antonio village, \$13.75. January, 1873.

Norman Jones to Charles Paddock, 44 rods of land in Mexico, \$400. October, 1872.

Richard Hard to Frederick Leno and Ann Leno, land in Albion, \$500. September, 1872.

## PARISH.

The boys of this place have established a debating society. We are raising a crop of Clays and Websters. We hope no one will be jealous.

For a week past the cars have run very irregularly. Monday and Tuesday we had no trains. These are now running on time. Snow and breakdowns are the causes of the irregularity.

The school teachers of this place, who are teaching school out of town this winter, are having remarkably good success. Mr. Elbert Rulison is teaching the higher department, Central Square. Mr. Elzer Rulison is teaching in the Collins District, Hastings, and Miss Margetta Norton is teaching in Amboy Center. This is her second term at that place. Mr. Martin De Garne is teaching in the Laing District, of this town, for the second term. The intelligent people of district were determined to have him teach. His effort to elevate the standing of that school, has been equalled by no other school, according to their views.

The water power of the place is not all used. A short distance below our present milldam there is an excellent place for the erection of another dam with a head of some dozen feet, and has good banks. Here would be an excellent place to erect some kind of a factory or other machinery.

Mr. A. M. Gillespie proposes to run some new streets through his premises. He has some excellent building lots, and there would be a beautiful site on one of those streets for the erection of the proposed new school house. We understand that Mr. J. P. Hays contemplates running a street through his premises. A village never grows much till there are plenty of streets; Mexico commenced to grow rapidly when she multiplied her streets.

One year ago, we spoke of a cheap, reliable and easy conveyance from the S. N. R. R. to Mexico. The fare is too high now to be patronized much. We can go from our place to Pulaski and return, including omnibus fare, for 86 cents; to Mexico it will cost \$1.44; and to Syracuse from this place and return, \$1.82. So you see Mexico is a dear place to go to. If we could have a cheap transit from Union Square to Mexico, many would travel that way to Oswego, in preference to any other, and many would go to Syracuse too, by Union Square. Cheap conveyances increase travel and patronage. What say you of Mexico about this matter.

Odd.

Parish, Jan. 18, 1873.

BUSINESS CHANCE.—Wanted, immediately, 500 persons, at a salary of \$150 per month and traveling expenses paid, to engage in the sale of Old Dr. Quack's Wonderful Chogogogogamnehogogogogog Bitters; also those remarkable Live Forever Pills.

This is the safest business out, because, by the time the customers have discovered that they have lost off living force, they will be too dead to take legal proceedings to recover their money. Address: Old Dr. Quack, 999 Dish Water Street, Vermillion, N. Y.

Lost—on or about Christmas morning, between Mr. E. Trowbridge and Mr. Dewey's, a small fur cape (spotted). The finder of said cape will confer a favor by leaving it at this office.

A fellow walked into the office of Mr. Monk, superintendent of the Rome Waterworks & Caledonia railroad, a few days since, took a small slate from his pocket and wrote upon it, "I want a pass." The superintendent took the slate read the request, and without thinking that his visitor was deaf and dumb, asked, "Where do you want a pass to?" The mild mannered visitor forgetting that he was deaf and dumb, replied in a full round voice, "Rome!" He didn't get his pass—except to "pass" out of the door, with a blush on his cheek." *Watertown Times.*

In the appointment of Committees at Albany Mr. Fort is honored with the chairmanship of the ways and means; Mr. Bulley is upon the committee on public education, and Mr. Johnson upon roads and bridges, and upon internal affairs of towns and counties. Senator Foster is on that of railroads, the erection and division of towns and counties, and is chairman of that on salt.

## Auction Sales.

The subscriber will sell at public auction, at Peet's Corners, Palermo, on Saturday, Jan. 25, 1873, at 1 o'clock p. m., the property of Melissa Dunham, deceased, consisting of 1 horse, 1 cow, 1 bureau, 1 table, 1 stand, 1 feather bed, 1 fur cape, 1 bedstead, a quantity of bedding; also a quantity of dresses, shawls, and other articles too numerous to mention. ELIPHALET JENNINGS, Administrator.

The undersigned will sell at public auction, at the late residence of Charles Burt, deceased, in the town of Hastings, on Saturday, Jan. 25, 1873, at 10 o'clock a. m., 1 pair of horses, 5 cows, 1 calf, 2 two-year old heifers, 2 sets of harness, 3 wagons, 1 pair sleighs, 1 moving machine, 3 plows, 1 harrow, 1 fanning mill, 2 sets whiffletrees, quantity pine and hemlock lumber, and other articles too numerous to mention.

GEORGE F. BURT, Administrator.

Hastings, Dec. 27, 1872.

## The Oswego Harbor.

In U. S. Senate on the 13th inst., under the consideration of petitions and memorials, Senator Fenton said:

I present the memorial of the Board of Trade of the city of Oswego, New York, in which they set forth with great clearness the importance of a more rapid and extensive improvement of the harbor at that place, especially in the view of the widening and the deepening of the Welland canal by the Canadian authorities. They state that the harbor of Oswego now admits the entrance of vessels drawing eleven feet of water, but that it is inadequate as a harbor of refuge and safety, not less than for the increasing demands of commerce, in view of these improvements by the Canadian authorities. It is further stated that the present annual appropriation of \$100,000 will require nine or ten years to complete the work on the harbor as now contemplated, and that the engineer in charge can safely and wisely expend \$300,000 during the coming season, and the board close their petition by asking an appropriation for that sum. I move the reference of the memorial to the Committee on Commerce.

The motion was agreed to and the memorial was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

## A Beautiful Handwriting.

There are but few of our readers who would not like to acquire a rapid and beautiful handwriting, for there is no one accomplishment so highly prized as this. The business colleges of the country have afforded the best instruction in this branch and have succeeded in producing the most accomplished penmen. The best penman in America to-day is Prof. GASKELL, Prest of the Bryant & Stratton College of Manchester, N. H. There are few lovers of the beautiful art of penmanship who have not heard of this penman and many have seen specimens of his skill. His large specimens have attracted great attention in New York City and throughout the country where they have been placed on exhibition.

He is now engaged day and night sending out Copies for self-instruction, which he writes himself expressly for applicants so that any one can learn to write at the home fireside. These contain full printed instructions, and are sent up in large heavy envelopes and sent by mail prepaid for \$1.00 per package. They are all numbered and so fully explained that no one can fail to learn rapidly from them. They have been ordered by thousands—not by poor writers alone, but by the leading teachers of penmanship throughout the United States and Canada. Our younger readers would do well to write for a package, as nothing so complete, beautiful and useful for self-instruction will ever again be offered them.

## Death of Mrs. Campbell.

"Died, in Rochester, on the 26th inst., at the residence of Mr. Royal Mack, Mrs. Mary Leete, aged 82 years."

Such is the announcement of one of the Rochester papers of the death of one known to many of our readers. As Mrs. Campbell she resided several years in our midst, a consistent and beloved member of the Presbyterian church. Soon after leaving here she was united in marriage with Mr. Leete, who fully sympathized with her, and they labored in every good word and work, and were largely instrumental in building up a prosperous church. Her husband dying some two years ago, she came back to the East to live down in death. At the residence of her niece (Mrs. Mack), she found the last resting-place of earth, where the attentions of kind hearts and assiduous hands smoothed her steps to the grave.

From her pastor (when here), who was favored with the privilege of ministering to her in her last days, we learn that those days were days of Christian fortitude, patience, and triumphant faith.

He writes that "it was more than an ordinary privilege to hear her expressions of confidence in her Redeemer—her implicit trust in the promises of her God. Her constant theme was the goodness of her Heavenly Father to her—her thankfulness that he had permitted her to be an humble worker in his vineyard. And thus she passed away, saying, as sight was failing and earth receding, 'Saviour, take my hand.'"

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.—We are indebted to our friend, Mr. C. Gillman, of Devozes (Eng.), for a copy of Gillman's Devozes Public Register, Business Directory and Family Almanac. It presents a very neat appearance, and contains much valuable information. Also for the Little Gleaner, containing an interesting account of the ancient castle in Devozes (our old home), and of the beautiful market-cross in that town. Also for the Sunday Scholars' Service of Sacred Song, illustrative of the Pilgrim's Progress.

Many thanks, friend Gillman, and if you and your "better half" will come over to the World's Evangelical Alliance, which is to be held at New York next fall, we will treat you in true Yankee style.

FLAG-BOTTOM CHAIRS.—The nicest, easiest, most durable. Having secured a good stock of Flag, I am prepared to bottom chairs at my house, near the Railroad Mills. For convenience of some, chairs or orders may be left at the Furniture Store of Barber & Smith. Patronage solicited from this time until the first of May. PETER SANDHOFER, Mexico, Jan. 22, 1873.

## BRIEFS.

—Snow every day.  
—Have you heard the news?  
—Do you owe the printer anything?  
—The Wilder Sisters sing in Empire Hall to-morrow evening.  
—Walter C. Stone has sold the Canastota Herald to A. R. Barlow.  
—There are 650 lakes in this State, 65 of which are in Sullivan county.  
—Photographs of the Carthage murder and suicide are offered for sale.  
—Interesting religious meetings are being held in Hannibal.  
—New subscribers can still be furnished with back numbers of the INDEPENDENT containing the story.  
—Miss Rosa E. Russell is operator in the office of the Dominion Telegraph Company at Sandy Creek.  
—We call attention to an article on bread making on our fourth page. The writer knows whereof he speaks.  
—Mr. J. D. Hartson and Mr. E. E. Menter, of this village, are both quite sick.  
—Rev. Jas. P. Stratton, of this village, exchanged pulpits with Rev. Mr. Smith, of the Presbyterian church in Adams, last Sabbath.  
—It is now fashionable for ladies and gentlemen, when walking in the street, to lock arms, whether engaged or not.  
—J. H. Parker, of Oswego, who was injured in Syracuse, on Wednesday last week, died in Oswego on Friday.  
—Settle all accounts with everybody at least once a year, and January is the month to do it.  
—D. S. Pratt has been appointed postmaster at Molino; at New Haven, A. F. Rowe.

The Palmer-Sage case at Oswego, was finished on Friday, the jury awarding a verdict of \$2,500 for the plaintiff, Palmer.  
—There is no truth in the report that a dozen of our young people are to be married next week. But there ought to be.  
—Notwithstanding the fact affirmed by Prof. Diehl, that the people of the East recognize no masculine angels, the angel in our office is a man.  
—Don't do it. Don't advertise your business; it's paying out money to accommodate other people; if they want to buy goods let them hunt you up.  
—We learn from the Minneapolis Tribune that Hiram W. Slack, formerly of this town, has been appointed principal of the Second Ward School in that city.

The Rev. Mr. Smith, of Adams, preached two very interesting sermons in the Presbyterian church on Sunday last. That in the evening was one of the most impressive we have ever heard.

A young lady having read about a man having invented a stove which consumes its own smoke, hopes he will devise a method whereby tobacco-smokers can be run on the same economical principle.

Interesting meeting are being held in the Methodist and Presbyterian churches in this village. In the latter there was a gathering for prayer, nearly every evening of last week, and there have been several conversions.

A debating society discussed the question, "Is it wrong to cheat a lawyer?" After full discussion and mature deliberation, the decision was: "Not wrong, but too difficult to pay for the trouble."

The Syracuse Standard learns nothing further relative to the progress of negotiations for a lease of the Northern road to the Rome and Watertown Company; and at present there seems to be little prospect of any arrangement between the two companies.

Erancis Wilson, one of the gang who was convicted of robbing Hungerford's Bank about two years ago, escaped with two other men from Sing Sing prison a few days since. The other two robbers escaped prison some time ago. There seems to have been a contrived plan to get the robbers out, and some of the officials have been bought off, and thus the matter arranged for their escape. *Watertown Times.*

## List of Letters.

Remaining in Mexico P. O., uncalled for Jan. 22, 1873:

G. W. Brown, Helen M. Buley, Mark N. Bates, Mrs. Orpha Bates, Geo. Cox, L. G. Tilton.

People calling for the above letters will say they are advertised, and give the date.

L. F. ALFRED, P. M.

TRICHOITS DURING HAIR-CUTTING.—A veteran who has run the gauntlet of many a garrulous barber in his day and still lives, gives the following memoranda of his thoughts while enduring the operation of hair-cutting:

Will he ask me how I would like it cut?

Will he talk me almost to death?

Will he blow upon me?

Will he snip a bit of my ear?

Will he always carry my comb in his hair?

Will he prick my lip when he trims my moustache?

Will he tell me my hair is getting rather thin at the top?

Will he never stop telling stories to his brother barber?

Will he take my cigars or lead pencils out of my vest pocket?

Will he always eat onions, and drink beer?

Will he cut it well, or shall I be an object for the next ten days?

Will he ask me whether I have tried or would like to try his marvelous Balsam, or their wonderful Wash, or their unrivaled Restorative?

Will he ask me whether I will have a magic shampoo?

Will the brushing business bring tears to my eyes?

Will he part my hair on the wrong side?

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## Jury Drawing.

Following are the names of grand and petit jurors drawn to serve at the next County Court and Court of Sessions to be held at Pulaski, beginning Monday, February 3:—

## GRAND JURORS.

Robert McAuley, William W. Smith, Oringe R. Joslin, Albion; Jacob Ackler, Hosea Ballou, Boylston; John Dean, Ismael Morse, Edward Hallock, Constantia; Wm. McMahon, Alex. McKinly, Hamilton Warner, Hastings; Everett H. Gillett, Aaron G. Dennis, Edwin Midlam, Mexico; Wm. M. Hollis, Samuel Miner, Orwell; G. G. Simmons, Redfield; Orlo E. Allen, Anson R. Jones, George N. Fuller, Charles H. Jones, John Williams, Richland; Solomon P. Davis, Frederick Potts, Williamstown.

## PETIT JURORS.

Wynant Smith, John S. Cleland, Grover G. Houghton, Amboy; Rufus H. Dobson, William Danforth, George S. Clough, Sanford Woodard, Simon Cleveland, Charles Monroe, Pebyn Grow, Constantia; Chas. Kitts, Henry All, Geo. P. Elliott, Hastings; Lorenzo G. Ballard, Charles Nichols, Mexico; John Washburn, Orwell; Hiram Potter, Parish; Benj. E. Root, William L. Hadley, Benj. F. Salisbury, Newton M. Thompson, Samuel Sadler, Lafayette Tift, Jeremiah C. Mead, Jacob Hadley, Lucius A. Warrenner, Sandy Creek; Samuel Balcom, Charles Balcom, James Petrie, Redfield; Richard Claxton, Lewis Humphrey, George Bedell, West Monroe; Joel Deveraux, Joseph Nash, Williamstown.

## Repeal of the Usury Laws.

The following is the text of the act introduced by Senator Robertson for the repeal of the existing laws respecting usury:—

§ 1. Section 1 of title 3 of chapter 4, of the revised statutes, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

§ 1. When there is no agreement for a different rate, the rate of interest upon the loan or forbearance of any money, goods, or things in action, shall continue to be seven dollars upon \$100 for one year, and after that rate for a greater or less sum or for a longer or shorter time.

§ 2. It shall be lawful to pay or reserve discount at any rate and to agree for the payment or receipt of interest at any rate, provided, however, that no greater rate of interest than seven per cent. per annum shall be recovered in any action, unless the agreement to pay such rate of interest is in writing.

§ 3. Sections two, three, four, five, six, seven, and eight of title three of chapter 430 of the law of 1837, and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith, are hereby repealed.

## How to be Nobody.

It is easy to be nobody, and we will tell you how to do it. Go to the drinking saloon to spend your leisure time. You need not drink much now; just a little beer, or some other drink. In the meantime play dominoes, chequers, or something else, to kill the time, so that you will be sure not to read useful books if you read, let it be dime novels of the day. Thus go on keeping your stomach full and your head empty, and yourself playing time-killing games and in a few years you'll be nobody, unless, (as is quite likely), you should turn out a drunkard or a professional gambler, either of which is worse than nobody.

There are any number of young men hanging about country taverns just ready to graduate and be nobodies.—*American Wesleyan.*

THE PRINTER'S ESTATE.—The printer's dollars—where are they? A dollar here and a dollar there, scattered over numerous small towns all over the country, miles and miles apart—how shall they be gathered together? The paper-maker, the building owner, the journeyman compositor, the grocer, tailor and his assistants to him in carrying on his business, have their demands hardly ever so small as a single dollar. But the mites from here and there must be diligently gathered and patiently heeded, or the wherewith to discharge the liabilities will never become sufficiently bulky. We imagine the printer will have to get up an address to these widely scattered dollars something like the following:

"Dollars, halves, quarters, dimes and all manner of fractions into which ye are divided, come home! Ye are wanted!" &c.

FOUND—near the post-office in this village, a few days ago, a gold-tipped pencil case, which now awaits its owner in our office.

Read the advertisement in another column headed the Best Thing in the West.

A Troy gallant sent a \$650 piano to his affianced as a holiday gift, giving the dealer his check for the amount. The check was protested, and the young lady was obliged to discontinue her notes in order that the owner might have his property again. She did not protest, but will decline any further deposits of affection from the cheeky lover hereafter.

Seven hundred and forty-one and a half miles of railroad were finished in this State last year. Five hundred and ninety-seven additional miles are in process of construction.

CHRIST CHURCH (Universalist).—Regular services every Sunday, at 2 o'clock p. m. All are invited. Seats free. Rev. James Vincent, Pastor.

Go to Ballard's for your (best).

## Teachers



